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Supervised Criminal Offenders Displaced by Hurricane Katrina - Report to a Division of Parole and Probation Office for Supervision

The Maryland Division of Parole and Probation Accepting Intakes for Supervised Criminal Offenders Who Have Been Evacuated From Louisiana, Mississippi, and Alabama

Baltimore, MD (September 8, 2005) --- All convicted, supervised criminal offenders who have been displaced due to the effects of Hurricane Katrina and have relocated, either permanently or temporarily, to Maryland must immediately report to a Maryland Division of Parole and Probation Office for intake and supervision instructions.

Reporting to the nearest parole and probation office will ensure that Maryland will be able to protect public safety by beginning the supervision process and communication with the supervision authorities in the home state. Further, reporting to a Parole and Probation Office will help to protect offenders from violation proceedings for absconding from their home states.

To locate a parole and probation office near you please call 410 585-3500 or 1-877 227-8031. You can also find our offices on the Internet at http://www.dpscs.state.md.us/locations/dpp_offices.shtml

Statewide, Maryland's 700 Parole and Probation agents and monitors supervise nearly 67,000 people on probation, parole and mandatory supervision in field offices from Oakland to Ocean City. For more information, please visit <http://www.dpscs.state.md.us/>.

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